FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

SATURDAY, Dec. 26-6 P. M. The weekly bank statement is not regarded as un-favorable. It shows contraction in the item of loans and losses in specie and legal tenders. The totals as compared with last week are shown as follows:—

Dec. 26. \$261,342,530 17,940,865 34,387,114 178,503,752 48,706,160 The differences in the respective items of the stateents are as follows:-

shipment of specie and the customs receipts almost exactly account for the loss of specie. The decrease in loans is the result of contraction against the quarterly statement. The losses in deposits and legal tenders are attributable to the shipment of cur-rency southward and westward and to the with-

trawal of funds by the country banks.

The money market worked closely at the beginning of business, and although more active than on Thursday, was less so than in the earlier portion of The rate during the forenoon was seven per cent in gold, with exceptional cases of com-missions and exceptional transactions in currency. Later in the day funds were more abundant, or rather were offered more freely, under the induce-ment of earning two days' interest, and the rate eclined to seven percent in currency. The course f the money market for the ensuing week is a subt of much concern, but as the banks will be under the necessity of contracting still further in order to nelp their appearance in the quarterly statement is little hope of a relaxation until after the dvent of the New Year. The question of the reissue \$20,000,000 of greenbacks creates continued inlry in the street. The following explanation has eived the semi-official authority of Sub-Treasurer n Dyck:—"The fifty dollar legal tender note having been very perfectly counterfeited the government some time since determined to withdraw all of that mination from circulation and to replace them with new notes. It was also de-cided to call in such other legal tenders as bore the endorsement that they were exchangeable into five-twenties; these latter were ed during the early part of the war. To effect exchange alluded to the United States Trea surer, about a month ago, sent a circular to the difositories requesting them to forward such notes Washington and to receive therefor new ones. This exchange has been going on for some time and the old notes have been accumulating in the Treasury at Washington. The despatch of Thursday, stating that \$20,000,000 had been burned, probably ed to this accumulation.

A prominent dry goods jobbing house doing business in Broadway, near the corner of Worth street, suspended to-day, and the consequence has been another check to discounts. Their liabilities are not extensive if they are confined to the sum reported, which comprises \$1,250,000 business debts and \$600,000 due to the banks.

Gold opened at a decline from Thursday's closing prices, the first sale being made at 1343. On the

ength of a large shipment to Europe to-day the mium became firmer and advanced a quarter. price remained at 135 until the afternoon, when receded to 134%. The market was dull in general operators abandoning the Gold Room for the Stock Exchange. It is announced from Wash-ington that the January coupons will be paid on Thursday next, the 30th inst., and the Sub-Treasurer began to-day to give out checks therefor dated Vanuary 1, 1869. This will give the banks an opportunity of appearing well in the quarterly statement, as some twenty millions of gold will be distributed in this city. The gold shipments for the week were over \$600,000. The gross clearings to-day at the Gold Exchange Bank were \$51,691,000, the gold ces \$1,751,151, and the currency balances \$2,743,410. In the morning the carrying rate went as high as 10 per cent and 1-32, but relaxed to 6 and rith the easier feeling in money prevailing in th rnoon. The price of gold during the week is set

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Coupon, 103% a 103%; carrency bonds, 99 a 99%.
The Border State bonds were quiet, except Tennessees and new North Carolinas. The closing quotations were:—Tennessee sixes, ex coupon, 68¾ a 70; do. new. 68¼ bid; North Carolina sixes, ex coupon, 434 a 65; do. new, 61% bid; missouri sixes, 90 Virginia sixes, ex coupon, 55% bid; do. new. 56 bid; Georgia sixes, 79 bid; Georgia sevens, 93 a 93%. The stock market was strong, fluctuating and anited: more so than would usually have been ex-

ected midway of two holidays. Prices opened strong at a considerable advance upon the closing figures of Thursday evening. At the regular board there was a reaction, but a buoyant feel-ing succeeded, and this afternoon was re-peated, until the character of the bank statement was made known. New York Central, Rock Island and Toledo were the features of the day. Central sold as high as 155, but the greater part of the sales took place in the vicinity of 154. Rock Island was progressive, and went as high as 116). Toledo, which is down on the programme for galvanization by one of the cliques, advanced to the vicinity of 102. Ohio and Mississippi, in the hands of a clique which is identified with or subsidiary to the Erie clique, was pushed to 32. A grand "bull" movement is on foot, gotten up by the reconciled partisans of Erie and Central, to send prices to their highest, and then unload the stock which they are now so largely possessed of and which must be got rid of in these times of active money and high rates of interest for carrying. The buoyancy extended to the whole list, and very few stocks were neglected, as will be seen by the fulness of the quotations of the last open board, which was the final session of the day. The quotations were as follows:—Cumberland, 36 bld; Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, 25% a 25%; Therican Express, 38 bld; Adams Express, 48% 8 49%; United States Express, 45 a 46; Merchants' Union Express, 15% a 15%; Quickspiver, 21% a 21%; Caution 481% a 49%; Mariposa, 5% bid; do. prefer-red, 19% a 20%; radiac Mail, 112% a 112%; Western Union Telegraph, 33% a 33%; AVW York Control, 153% a 153%; Erie, 39 a 39%; do. preferred, 12 a 12; Hudson River, 132% a 133%; Harlem, 124 a 125; Reading, 98 a 98%; Chicago and Alton, 144 a 150; do. preferred, 144 a 149%; Bankers and Brokers', 95 bid: Alton and Terre Haute, 39; Wabash, 58%, a 59; do. preferred, 70 a 75; Milwaukee and St. Paul, 67% a 87%; do. preferred, 85% a 85%; Fort Wayne, 112% a 123%; Obio and Mississippi, 31% a 32; Michigan Southern, 87% a 87%; Illinois Central, 141 a 145;

Southern, 87% a \$7%; Himois Central, 14: a 145; Pittaburz, 83 a \$84; Toledo, 101% a 101%; Rock Island, 116 a 116%; Northwestern, 79% a \$9%; do. preferred, \$2% a \$2½; Boston Water Power, 13% a 14; Boston, Hartford and Erie, 25% bid.

The market was remarkably free of sensational reports, the cliques moving quietly and steadily in their work. The activity in prices is noteworthy in connection with the general activity in money. Business was continued, out upon the sidewalk in front of the Stock Exchange, until after four o'clock. There was continued animation and considerable fluctuation. The following were the cleaning quotations at half-past four o'clock (Fort Wayne is quoted ex dividend):—New York Central, 154 a 154%; Erie, 59 a 39%; Fort Wayne, 110% a 110%; Michigan Southern, 8a 88%; Rock Island, 116% a 110%; Reading, 98% a 98%; Northwestern, 80% a 80%; Northwestern preferred, 82% a 82%; Toledo, 101 a 101%; Pittsburg, 83 a 83%; Shi, Faul, 67% a 68; St. Paul preferred, 85% a 86; Ohio and Mississippl, 23%; Hudson River, 133 a 123%; Pacido Mail, 120 bid-

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the basis of 109% a 109% for prime bankers'. The bids for the city bank stocks to-day at the The bids for the city bank stocks to-day at the regular board were as follows:—Manhattan, 142; Mcchanics'. 125; America, 145, ex dividend; Phenix, 103, ex dividend; National, 115; State of New York, 111; Commerce, 119%; Mechanics' Banking Association, 117; Ocean. 110; American Exchange, 113; Bank of the Republic, 121; Irving, 110; Metropolitan, 128, ex dividend; Market, 117; Nassau, 105; Corn Exchange, 130; Continental, 100; St. Nicholas, 107; Importers and Traders', 123, ex dividend; Park, 146, ex dividend; Pourth National, 102, ex dividend; ex dividend; Fourth National, 102, ex dividend; Tenth National, 100; Gold Exchange, 130%.

SALES AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.



REAL ESTATE MATTERS.

Auction Sales of Real Estate During the

Past Week.
The winding up of the real estate business for the year 1888 has presented an elegant tapering off in the number and extent of the transactions, with oc-casional exhibitions of activity equal to the most busy period of the year. The week just closed has presented both these conditions, the whole number of auction sales during that period being but five, and these only on two days of the week, only two of the sales being of any special importance, while one of them was fully of as much interest as any held during the year. This latter was the sale of the Morris estate, in Westchester county, on Tuesday last, particulars of which have already on Tuesday last, particulars of which have already appeared, giving such full details of the property, its location, history, surroundings, and manner of offering, that further concerning it is unnecessary here. The entire sum realized from the sale of this property was \$148,682. On the same day Messrs. A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co. disposed of over two hundred iots at Kearneyville, East Newark, N. J., from the sale of which the sum of \$14,099 was realized. Two pleces of improved city property were also sold at auction this day, which brought \$65,000, the total of the four sales amounting to \$227,538. On Wednesday a piece of New York improved property was sold for \$8,900, since which no public sales have been held, the whole amount of real estate in and near the city thus disposed of during the week amounting to \$236,768.

Real Estate Notes. Italy has made \$14,000,000 the present year by the

sale of Church property.

Rothschild's estate had to pay \$\sigma_i,000,000 legacy

New Haven has put up about \$3,000,000 worth of buildings this season, expects to have a population of 60.000 in two years and boasts itself the "commercial centre" of the Nutmeg State.

The total number of public and private buildings crected in St. Louis during the year 1868 exceeds 2,500. Eight churches have been finished—two Catholic, two Presbyterian, one Hebrew, one Metho dist Episcopal and one Lutheran. The aggregate amount of capital invested in building operations for the year is about \$30,000,000.

An Arizona farmer wants to sell a small farm of

ruits and vegetables for the Northern market. Astonishing as it may seem, they have secured the refusal of this immense tract at one dollar an acre. The Boston advertiser of a recent date thus notices intended improvements in that city:

The Boston and Lowell Railroad corporation, in Boston, contemplates an emargement by gaining possession of the whole property from its passenger station up to Lowell street, and from Conseway street to Minot, closing up and covering Andver, Nashun and Billerica streets and half of Minot street, and connecting with their freight depots on Lowell and Minot streets.

The Eastern Railroad corporation will co-operate in this improvement by purchasing the Lowell passenger station and its ground, which cost \$440,000, and the line of Andover street, including the opposite side of the latter. The territory in question contains one hundred and sixty brick houses and thirty-five wooden ones, worth from \$4,000 to \$5,000 each. The Win. Blate brass foundry (Hooper & Co.) was sold for \$100,600 has summer to Mr. Roberts.

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The company last named will fill up a couple of acres of flats at East Cambridge and sell a part of the same to the Eastern Railroad.

The old Manayunk station house and lot of ground, Philadelphia, Pa., were sold on Wednesday last by the city, for the sum of \$2,725. The lease of the tobacco warehouse was sold for \$5,200 per annum.

Mr. William C. Tontaine recently sold the Olney farm, situated near the town of Princess Anne, Va., to Mrs. B. Hurst, of Westover, for \$9,500. He also sold a farm of 240 acres near Newtown, in Worcester county, belonging to Mr. L. J. Jones, to Mr. Israel Heath, of Virginia, for \$3,300.

A late number of the Boston Transfler has the following about real estate changes in Boston:—Before the revolutionary war the estate on the upper or southwest corner of Milk and Federal streets was in the possession of Colonel Baldwin, who owned large quantities of property in other parts of Boston. Most of the family adhered to the royalist carse, and one of its incumbers was a colonel in the service of England. The estate in question consisted of a fine old mansion house and its surrounding gardens. The frame of the house was of solid English oak, imported from England in 1600, and the remainder of the edifice was chiefly of a durable quality of pine cut in the neighborhood. About the year 1785 the mansion house and an acre was sold by the Borlands held for \$3,900 to Robert Treat Paine, the signer of the Declaration of Independence and afterwards the first attorney General of Massachusetts and Judge of the Supreme Court of the State, in whose family a portion of the estate still remains. Some fort, of more years ago, or between 1822 and 1927, the thing attent stores, and the was altogether such as the inhabitants of San Francisco would feel at home in during an earthquake season.

The ancient garden, which ran nearly up to Franklin street,

two miles of river shore, suitable for oyster beds, was recently sold for \$3,290.

Among the sage items of an exchange is the following:—It is well known in Washington that Mr. Seward is anxious to purchase cuba, and the statement that Caleb Cusning had gone to Madrid, grewout of the fact that Mr. Seward had been talking Cuba strongly and even expressed the opinion that the present is a fitting opportunity to offer negotiations.

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In Kansas, 26,000 acres of land have been purchased for a colony of Swedes, who are coming over in the spring.

New York is not much behind the age in municipal jobber, but the following account of how they manage these things in Chicago—taken from a Providence paper—contains a lesson for even our Common Councilmen:—A municipal investigation is now in progress in Chicago into a remarkable series of frauds connected with the real estate owned by the city. From what has been discovered it appears that real property belonging to that city has actually been stolen to the amount of at least \$2,000,000; the theft, or rather series of thefts—for the transactions have been numerous—having been accomplished by means of forged deeds and fraudulent tax titles. As an instance, it is stated that a tract of eighty acres of land belonging to the city is covered by a forged or fraudulent deed to a Mr. David Stark, a man unknown and not to be found and of whose existence at any time in this mundane sphere doubts are entertained. The mysterious Stark, possibly a connection of "Mrs. Harris," having entirely neglected to pay his taxes, the land was soid; and the ostensible purchaser having in turn neglected to pay his taxes, it was again sold, and so on, again and again, until the property is now covered by tax titles standing in various names, the worth of which somebody is supposed to know. The last transfer of this property is said to have been made by one Walter A. Frazier (formerly in the service of the city) to Isaac Cook, the consideration being one dollar.

The design of the operators appears to have been to take property out of the hands of the city by means of forged deeds from the city, and then to allow title to be foreited by frequent tax sales and the right of possession. The original fraudulent transfers, however, will upset the movements. One of the transfers is that of a tract now having on it thirty-eigh

Official Transfers of Real Estate Yesterday. | Description | Park | 69th st. n s. 56.2 ft w of lat av. 18.9x100.5. 13.500
64th st. n s. lots 347 to 250, inclusive, estate of Amory.
25.100.5. 31.500
65th st. w s. 200 ft e of 9th av. 150x100.6. 42.000
74th st. s s. 210 ft 3d av. 25.1102.3. 107.00
50th st. s s. 210 ft 3d av. 25.1102.3. 107.00
50th st. n s. 25 ft e of 10th av. 15.1102.2. 5.00
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THE EASTERN QUESTION.

A Oretan View of the Present Troubles Between Turkey and Greece—History and Situation of Crete—Why European Powers Support the Turks.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-It is well known that the island of Crete, though of small extent, was, owing to its fine harbors and productive wealth, one of the most valuable posses-sions of the ancient Greek empire, and in the days of Venice the most flourishing emporium of the East. The invasion of the Mussulman destroyed all this prosperity, and leaving out of account considerations of religion and social ethics and regarding the Mussulman influence only from its effect upon the material resources of Crete, it must be admitted that it was fatal to all trade and enterprise, and aiming only to grind the people down with taxation without doing anything in the way of constructing roads and of protection and promotion of property

roads and of protection and promotion of property and industry.

When the Greek war of independence released Greece and Crete from the domination of the Mussulman, Greek merchants at once became powerful ali over the world, and Crete, after enjoying freedom from Islamism from 1827 to 1830, would have fully participated in this regeneration of the Hellenes as a leading commercial nation if the a transaction which was declared to have been scandalons by Leopold of Belgrum, Lord Palmerston and other public men) Crete had not been bartered away to the Egyptians and by them to the Mussulmans, contrary to all law and equity and in open defiance of the right to hat in the Hellenic war of independence of 1821 to 1827 the Cretans had conquered along with their compations on the Hellenic continent. The Cretan people, who are all of the Hellenic race, protested from the outset against the Moslem usurpation imposed upon them against thefr will and in flagrant violation of their innerent and national rights. When they again and again rose in rebellion against the Moslem it was sumply adding insuit to the Mosiem it was amply adding mails to minury to call them "insurgents," since they did not rise against a lawful government, but against one which they never ceased to stigmatize as unlawful, and which was so little entitled to its claims of sovereignty that Leopoid of Eelstims, a prince remarkable for his wisdom and moderation, publicly conditined the Gretan people in their right of national independence, by declaring to those who invited him to become King of the Relienes that he would only consent if the Mosiem were to relimquish his pretensions upon Crete, and if the control of the control of Greece, that had come triumpliantly out of the war of independence. The Cretans, althours apparently descried by the Powers whose bonor was involved in their liberation, were undanned in their determination never to recognize the Turk as their lawful sovereign, and indeed, the great Powers themselves impledly supported this determination in limiting the usurpation of the Porter and making it contingent upon the fundiment of certain conditions. These conditions imposed upon the Turks a faithful regard and solicuade for the welfare and interest of the Cretas Christians, but as they were ruthlessly broken by the Governors who were sent from Constantinopie to Crete the people, who bove up with a minute property of the conditions of the cretas Christians, but as they were ruthlessly broken by the Governors who were sent from Constantinopie to trete the people, property of the conditions and oppressions, were at length driven by the sheer instinct of self-preservation to assert with arms in their hands the vindication of their national rights, which, ever since 1850, they had never ceased to uphold and defond. The great Powers, indignant agressite the Mosiem for hands the vindication of their manufactures and cruelities and to convey them to the agreement of the conditions upon which he was so intaily permitted by them to usually the modern of his packages and cruelities and to convey them to the sale guardinate of the con

months in a Cretan fort, and then returned, like omar, in dismay to his master, exciaming that all this Cretan struggle was due to the modern heresy of the right of nationalities and to the infirmity of the Helienic mind, which spurs it on to the restoration and extension of Helienic power. In the meanwhile wonders of heroism were displayed in Crete that filled the world with admiration. The Greeks in the monastery of Arcadi, in imitation of their fathers of Missolonghi, blew up the place and themselves rather than surrender to the Moslem, and many stirring incidents of the kind revealed the indomitable resolution of the Cretan people never again to tolerate the rule of the Turk, against which they had protested and revoited ever since it was unjustly imposed upon their free country. Yet the thousand organs of the Moslem party combined to assure the world that the Cretan insurrection was at an end, and that the Cretan refugees were returning to Crete. It was no use for enterprising journals of this city to send out special correspondents and to publish their faithful record of the organization of the provisional government and of its operations, with a view to the consolidation of national independence. It was no use for those who returned here from Crete, Athens and Syra to record, as eye witnesses, the fact of the sufferings in Crete, and of the presence in Greece of 60,000 refugee Cretan families, chiefly women and children, aged and infirm men, and their unwillingness to return to Crete before its independence was fully recognized. It was useless to attest to the truth, when thousands of voices, hired to tell falsehoods, arose from every organ of the Moslem. But all of a sudden came the news that there was no peace, that there was war. Surely if the insurrection were at an end, and if the Cretan women and children had returned to Grete, the First would not have declared war to the Hellenic government. The fact is that it could not be any longer concealed that Crete had actually achieved her independence, an tion of war the Helienes might be frightened to such an extent as to advise their Cretan breibren to overthrow their provisional government, to pardon the outrages committed upon their women, the descration of their churches, the massacres of their non-combatant citizens, and to subunit again to the Moslem usurpation, unlawful as it had been in its inception and ruinous and murderous in its results.

But this hope was also doomed to be baffled, and the inference of all this is simply this—that in this age the spirit of liberty cannot be crushed by the manipulation of its enemes, and that whatever may be said of the frail tenure of Turkish rule in other Christian regions; in Crete since 1827 it was never tolerated by the people as a lawful government. Further, if the European Powers are involved in war in consequence of the Hellenic determination to support their Cretan compatriots, they are simply punished for having consented to wink at the bargain which resold a free people into Egyptian and Moslem bondage, and for having sided with the usurper when even those conditions upon which they themselves made his lease of usurpation contingent were flagrantly violated. Crete, though a small island, has thus been the means of vindicating the imperishable claims of human rights and inberty and of glying a lesson to European diplomacy which history is not likely to forget.

EROOKLYN INTELLIGENCE.

SERIOUS RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT. - Martin Schnei der, a boy eleven years of age, who was run over by a car on Fulton avenue, on Friday afternoon, while on his way to the Park skating pond, underwent the amputation of his left foot yesterday. RALL THEEF.—The hallway of the residence of Mr.

John Roberts, No. 124 Sands street, was entered by one of the sneak theiring frateraity on Christmas night and robbed of two coats, valued at minty dol-lars which were incautiously left nanging there while the door remained unsecured. This species of larceny will be quite prevalent during the present week no

IN AID OF THE WORKING WOMEN.—On Wednesday afternoon and evening an attractive entertainment in the form of a billiard tournament will be given at the City Assembly Rooms, Washington street, the proceeds of which are to be devoted towards the aid of the Working Women's Protective Association. A number of eminent knights of the cue from Gotham and elsewhere are announced to be present and to participate in the enterprise in question.

DIED FROM THE EFFECTS OF COLD.—Thomas Hawkes, the unfortunate man who was found by a policeman lying on the sidewalk in Schenck street, near Park avenue, on Friday last, died from the effects of being frostbitten, at the City Hospital, yesterday morning. Coroner Flavin held an inquest on the body, when a verdict in accordance with the facts was rendered.

HELD FOR THE GRAND JURY .-- A gentleman of color, named Reuben Taylor, stole a set of harness, valued at forty dollars, from his employers, the Brooklyn City Ice Company, and was arraigned before Justice Cornwell yesterday on a charge of burglary. He freely confessed his guilt of the offence charged, and, pleading guilty, was committed to jail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

ARRESTS DURING THE WEEK .- Holiday sports and festivities have been productive of much intoxication and considerable attendant disorder, which has had the effect of increasing the aggregate runnber of arrests during the past week. The total number of persons taken into custody by the police of Brooklyn is 345, being an increase of seventy-three over the record of the preceding week.

ALMOST SUFFOCATED,—Charles Oblus and John

ALMOST SUPPOCATED,—Charles Oblus and John Riely, two men employed on board the canal boat Seneca Alien, lying at the foot of Pacific street, were discovered at an early hour yesterday morning suffering from asphyxia, caused by confined air and coal gas which was generated in the apartment in which they lay sleeping. They were conveyed to the College Hospital, henry street, by two officers of the Forty-third precinct. Riely's recovery is doubtful, but hopes are entertained for Ohius. Both men half from Washington county, New York.

The INSPECTORS OF CONTRACTS.—The worthers

THE INSPECTORS OF CONTRACTS, -The worthier holding this very easy and remunerative billet at

Kings County Suringoate's Court.—The wills of John Barrett, Jules J. Bonnet, Heinrich Schluter and William White were proved in this court during the past week. Letters of administration were granted in the estates of Margaretta Smith, of the town of New Utreent: Thomas negan, Mary Daley, Max Grinwald, Edward Hughes, Garret McFernau, Lorenzo B. Shepard, Mary Boyd, De Witt C. Enos, Barnet D. Britton, Thomas A. Lawrence and Thomas Farrell, all of Brooklyn. Letters of guardianship of John, Josephine, Harriet and Charles Hannigan were granted to Mary Ann Hannigan; of Anson T. Coit to S. P. Colt, his father; of Mary Ellen and Frank Stewart to Anthony M. Smith, all of Brooklyn.

KINGS COUNTY SAVINGS BANK.

Description of the New Building.
One of the finest bank buildings in the Stale has
just been completed, at the corner of Fourth street and Broadway, Williamsburg, for the use of the Kings County Savings Bank. If the Eastern District of Brookiyn is generally somewhat behind hand in keeping pace with the spirit of the times this build-ing is an evidence that there is somewhere sufficient enterprise among the inhabitants to prompt the managers of this savings bank to put up an edifice

enterprise among the manbitants to prompt the managers of this savings bank to put up an edifice which would be a credit to any of the leading thoroughfares of this city.

The elegant structure has a width of forty-three feet on Broadway, and a depth of eighty-one feet on Fourth street, and is built of Dorchester brown stone. It consists of three stories, a basement and French attic. The foundations are laid in concrete, six feet wide, with thick footing courses of stone of the same thickness, the ceiar walls being about three feet thick and the upper brick walls twenty inches thick. The exterior of the building is in the Italian style, with a Mansard roof. The first story is rustic work, with vermiculated quoins and heavy mouldings of Dorie character, while the second story is finished in the lonic, and the third story in the Corinthian style. The windows are broad, finished by deep pliasters of the different orders, each being surmounted by appropriate pediments and sculpture. The bank entrance is through a boid Dorie portico, supported by banded columns deeply vermiculated and crowned by a massive pediment, in the tympanum of which a bee hive and grape vine, in alto reliceo, handsomely sculptured, have been introduced, typical of the institution. Above this entrance the centre of the ficade is recessed sufficiently to allow of the complete insulation of the columns, the treatment of which has been boilly managed by the architects so as to exhibit the outlines with singular beauty against the deep shadows east in the fine material by the recessed breaks. The angles of the building are well finished, with modded quoins, while broad bands or belt courses and entablatures mark the division of the stories. The bank and the bond hands or belt courses and entablatures mark the division of the ricinity. The Mansardroofs covered with Ohio state of different colors and fancy patterns, with the name of the bank iniaid on the two streets. The roof is farther ornamented with rich and prominent dormer windows, the angles

feet. The root has an elevation of fitteen feet. There is a separate entrance through a broad archway on Fourth street for the upper floors, the staircase being about six feet wide. On this side the key-tens of the window arches are handsomely sculptured with the monogram of the institution, the centre one naving in addition a sculrred cut, as an emblem of the saving nature of those who use the building. The man used is fourtish night glass, and

the windows consequently present a very handsome

appearance.

The first story will be occupied by the bank. Entering through the handsome portico the visitor enters the bank proper and finds himself in a magnificent room forty feet wide by sixty feet deep. The room is divided laterally into three compartments by two rows of pillars, which have been painted in imitation of bronze. The centre of the bank is occupied by the counters, which are arranged in a square. The furniture is very handsome, being made of black walnut, maple, sveamore and zebra woods. The walls are very tastily frescoed, being panelled and colored with very beautiful that. The ceiting is supported at the rafters by bronzed brackets and is also frescoed in panel. The centre panels are most claborately colored and ornamented by artistic devices representing various mythical subjects, and also by the monogram "K. C. S. B." The whole appearance of the bank room is very elegant, and no expense seems to have been spared in its finish. The trustees' room is in the rear—a very comfortable room about sixteen feet square—provided with all necessary accomodations. The wails are very tastentify frescoed and over the fireplace a splendid pier glass has been fixed. The vanit which is also in the rear, about the centre of the building, is one of the most scenre ever built, it is twelve feet, it is built up from the foundation of solid granite blocks two feet thick, and is provided with double doors of case hardened steel, which would defy the ills of fire and burriars.

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The second story consists of a fine room, about twenty feet high, which has been rented by the Eastern District Young Men's Christian Association, and will be used by them as a lecture and entertainment hall. The third story has a leight of twenty feet, and will be occupied by a lodge of Free Masons as a meeting room. Each of these stories is fitted up with all necessary accommodations.

From this condensed sketch of the building it will be seen that it is a very elegant and convenient one, and also one of which Williamsburgers may well be proud. On Monday the business of the bank will be removed into the new building and a formal opening will be had.

EXCITEMENT AND MURDER IN ILLINOIS.

The Hanging of the Culprit by Citizens.

[Jonesboro, Ill., (Dec. 24) correspondence of the St.
Louis Republican.]

On Saturday last three men on horseback stopped at the house of Captain B. Franklin, some fifteen miles east of this place, and one of them proposed to swap horses. The captain had a valuable horse and refused to swap, and went into the field to gather corn. As soon as he had gone the man who proposed to trade came back and took the captain's horse out of the barn and left his. The alarm was given and the captain followed after his horse, came up with the thief and demanded his property. The thief drew a reuoiver and dred at the captain three times, one of the balls striking him in the breast and killing him almost instantly. The country was aroused, the thief pursued and captured. He was placed under guard at the house of a magistrate on Saturday evening. During the night the house was surrounded by a large company of armed men, the prisoner taken from the guard and hanged on a tree. The other two horsemen were also arrested; but after proving that they had only a road acquaintance with the thief they were discharged. Captain Franklin was an esteemed citizen. His murderer was a desperado from Texas. The Hanging of the Culprit by Citizens.

MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

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Brueck—Reichmann.—At Stapleton, S. I., on Saturday, December 26, by F. Schünemann-Pott. of Philadelphia, Henry V. Brueck to Albertine Reich, Mann. No cards.

COFFIN—HUNT.—On Wednesday. December 23, at the residence of the bride's parents. by the Rev. J. and Cellan Holmes, Mr. John B. Coppin, of Athens, N. Y., to Miss Emma Hunt, of Hudson, N. Y. No cards.

N. Y., to Miss Emma Hunt, of Huuson, S., Cards.

Gards.—Culver.—On Thursday evening, December 24, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. D. K. Lee, Joseph K. Gardner to Emma, second daughter of William C. and Sarah J. Culver both of Brooklyn.

Horron—Bogart.—On Wednesday, December 23, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Thomas Armitage, William H. Horron to Miss Mary M. Bogart, daughter of A. E. Bogart, all of New York.

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Kinney—Carroll.—At Washington, on Wednesday, December 22, by the Rev. John Vaugan Lewis, Mr. Nathaniel Cosswell Kinney to Miss Carril, Esq., of Washington, D. C.

Kimball.—Thompson,—At the residence of C. W. Thompson, Esq., Troy, N. Y., on Wednesday, December 23, by the Rev. Dr. Walsh, Frank J. Kimball., of New York, to Elizabeth D. Thompson, of Troy. No cards.

Reference—Porter.—In Brocklyn, on Friday, December 25, by the Rev. D. R. Brewer, Mr. Joseph Repsier, of Philadelphia, to Helen M. Porter, of Rockland, Me.

Philadelphia and Rockland papers please copy.

R:Boon—Grandall.—On Thursday; December 24, at the residence of the bride's father, Jersey City, by the Rev J. M. Stevens, Mr. J. C. Risdon, of Elmira, N. Y., to Miss Jennie E. Grandall.

Ref.—Seward.—On Friday, December 25, at South Amboy, N. J., by the Rev. J. G. Burton, Isaac T. Ruz, of Brooklyn, L. L., to Williemens Seward, of the former place. No cards.

White—Fowlers.—On Thursday evening, December 24, at the residence of the bride, by the Rev. Dr. Hutchings, Mr. W. H. White to Miss Katie Fowler, all of Brooklyn.

Died.

Alford.—On Thursday evening. December 24, at No. 330 West Forty-third street, James Alford, aged 39 years.

The funeral will take place this (Sunday) afternoon, at one o'clock. The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

MASONIC SUMMONS.—The brethren of Baltic Lodge No. 284, F. and A. M., are hereby summoned to attend a special communication, this day (Sunday), December 27, at their rooms, Masonic Temple, corner of Grand and Seventh sirect, Williamsburg, at twelve o'clock M. sharp, thence to Grace church, corner of Lorimer and Conselves streets, to attend the obsequies of our late brother, James Alford. By order of ties of our late brother, James Allord. By Master

JAMES A. WESTON, Secretary.

BALLAED.—On Friday, December 25, HARRY CLISTORD, only son of William T. and Elizabeth Ballard, aged 3 months and 25 days.

The relatives and triends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, this (Sunday) afternoon, at one o'clock, from his late residence, Kent street, between Franklin and Union avenues, Grecapoint, L. I. The remains will be interred in Greenwood Cometery.

BOND.—On Friday, December 25, at 111 West Thirtieth street, ISABELLA, the beloved wife of Geo. Bond.

Kent street, between Pranklin and Union avenues, Greenpoint, L. I. The remains will be interred in Greenwood Cemeters.

Bonn.—On Friday, December 25, at 111 West Thirtieth street, Isabblia, the beloved wife of Geo. Bond.

Funeral from her late residence this day (Sunday), at twelve o'clock noon.

Bush.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, December 24, Richand P. Bush, in the S3d year of his age.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral services, this (Sunday) afternoon, at three o'clock, at the residence of his son, Charles Bush, Dekailb avenne, hird house east of Tompkins avenue.

Busch.—On Saturday morning, December 25, Mahla Busch,—On Saturday morning, December 29, Mahla Busch, the level wife of Henry Busch, aged 36 years, 4 months and 23 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 606 ferenwisch street, corner of Charkson, on Monday atternoon, at one o'clock.

Cappers,—Suddenly, on relate the December 25, ANN ELIZABERH CAPPERS.

In now have gone to rest;

Up in the heavens! hope to dwell,

With angels ever blest,

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, this (Sunday) atternoon, at balf-past one o'clock, from her late residence, No. 335 West Seventeenth street.

Caarke.—In Brooklyn, on Saturday, December 26, at his residence, No. 311 Sackett street, Amahlam Clarke, aged 72 years.

The funeral will take place from the Episcopal church corner of President and Smith streets, this (sunday) afternoon, at two o'clock.

Coxtox.—On Saturday, December 25, ANN, the beloved wife of Patrick Conlon, a native of Mulangar, county Westmeath, Ireland, in the 46th year of her age.

The friends and relatives of the family are invited to attend the funeral, this (Sunday) afternoon, at one o'clock, from her late residence, 307 Pits avenue, Her remains will be interred in Calvary Cemetery.

Coxway.—On Saturday, December 25, ANN, the beloved daughter of Margary of Mary Commenters, and the own of the

Second avenue, corner Fourteenth street, this (Sunday) afternoon, at two o'clock.

Grossmayer.—On Thursday, December 24, Mattlda Grossmayer, aged 45; years.

The funeral will take place from the residence of her parents, No. 341 Lexington avenue, this (Sunday) morning, at nime o'clock.

Guerin, a native of the county Limerick, Ireland, aged 40 years.

The relatives and friends of the farmly are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, corner Columbia and Congress streets, Brooklyn, this (Sunday) afternoon, at two o'clock.

Hawkins,—Suddenly, on Friday evening, December 25, of membranous croup, Frank P., youngest child of George W. and Maria E. Hawkins, aged 8 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respect-

ber 2%, of membranous croup, Frank P., youngest child of George W. and Maria E. Hawkins, aged 6 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services, at the house of his parents, Pean street, between Lee and Bedford avenues, Brooklyn, E. D., this (Sunday) afternoon, at four o'clock.

Bridgeport papers please copy.

Hear.—On Wednesday, December 23, James Heap, aged 66 years, 8 months and 13 days.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, No. 21 East Ellison street, Paterson, N. J., this (Sunday) afternoon, at haif-past two o'clock. A train leaves Erie Railway, Chambers street, New York, on Sundays, at twelve o'clock. Carriages in waiting as the depot.

Hingslage.—On Thursday evening December 24, Hermans S. Hingslage, aged 71 years, 3 months and 9 days.

The relatives and friends of the family, and also the members of Hermann Lodge, 268, F. and A. M., are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, this (Sunday) afternoon, at one o'clock, from the residence of his son, 212 West Eighteenth street, near Seventh avenue. The remains will be taken to Greenwood Cemetery for interment.

HULL.—On Saturday December 26, of congestion of the brain, Alfield P., infant son of J. Frank and Carrie Cooley Hull.

Notice of funeral to-morrow.

HUNG.—On Saturday morning, December 26, of pneumonia, Alice Hunt, in the 74th year of her age.

Her friends and relatives and those of her brother-

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services, at his late residence, 30 liedford avenue, near Park avenue, on Sunday afternoon, at four o'clock. His remains to be taken to Mount Meorah Cemetery, Philadelphia, for interment on Monday, morning, at eight o'clock. Irish and English papers please copy.

RYCKOFT.—On Friday, December 25, Thomas P. RYCKOFT, of Bantry, county Cork, Irish and English papers with the friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his son-in-law's. Thomas Waddock, 112 Henry street, this (Sunday) afternoon, at two o'clock.

SCHMELZEL, in the 53d year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family, and those of his father, the late John B. Schmelzel, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, without farther notice, on Tuesday morning, at eleven o'clock, from his late residence, 44 West Twenty-ninth street.

SHARF.—On Wednesday, December 25, PETER M. SHARF.—On Wednesday, December 24, PETER M. SHARF.—On Friday, December 25, PETER SMITE, SMITE,—On Friday, December 26, PETER SMITE,—SMITE,—On Friday, December 26, PETER SMITE,

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, 49 Sonta Oxford strees, Brooklyn, this (Sunday) afternoon, at two o'clock.

SMITH.—On Friday, December 25, PETER SMITH, aged 43 years.

The reatilives and friends of the deceased are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, 223 Union street, Brooklyn, this (Sunday) afternoon, at three o'clock. The remains will be taken to Connecticut for interment.

ST. John's Lodde, No. 1, A. Y. M.—The members are requested to attend the funeral services of our late brother, Peter Smith, at his late residence, No. 223 Union street, Brooklyn, this (Sunday) afternoon, at three o'clock.

GEO. B. MELENDY, Secretary.

ZELLAND CHAPTER, No. 141, ROYAL ARCH MASONS.—The members of the above chapter are hereby requested to attend the funeral services of our late companion. Peter Smith, at his late residence, No. 223 Union street, Brooklyn, this (Sunday) afternoon, at three o'clock.

S. E. GARDER, Secretary.

MOSTON COMMANDERY, No. 4, K. T.—The members are respectfully requested to attend the l'uneral/services of our late Sir Knight, Peter Smith, at his late residence, No. 223 Union street, Brooklyn, this (Sunday) afternoon, at three o'clock.

S. E. GARDER, Secretary.

MOSTON COMMANDERY, No. 4, K. T.—The members are respectfully requested to attend the l'uneral/services of our late Sir Knight, Peter Smith, at his late residence, No. 223 Union street, Brooklyn, this (Sunday) afternoon, at three o'clock, in citivens' dress.

THOS. C. CASSIDY, Commander.

S. E. GARDER, Recorder.

SMITH.—On Saturday, December 28, I/ARY AGNES, oldest daughter of Matthew and Margaret /Smith, and spire of Matthew and Friends are invited to attend.

STOCKING,—On Saturday, December 28, Captain Charles D. Stocking (late of the Tenth regiment New York Voiunteers and Eighth regiment. New York Voiunteers, in the 50th year

The funeral will take place at the Fassaic Reformed church, on Monday afternoon, at half-past one o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. A train leaves foot of Cham'oers street at tweive M.

one o'clock. Reintres and friends are invited to attend. A train leaves foot of Chambers street at tweive M.

Valentine.—On Christmas day, December 25, AxNIR M., whie of Win. H. Valentine, and second daughter of the late A. L. Van Burch, Essp., aged 22 years and 6 months.

The friends of the familyjare respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from 251 Dean street, Brooklyn, at two o'clock on Monday afternoon.

Van Ness.—On Saturday, December 26, Enlangen, reliet of Peter 6, Van Ness, and daughter of the rule Dr. Garret Haulenbeck, of Pompton, N. J.

Funeral services at her late residence, log East Twenty-jouril street, on Monday afternoon, at two o'clock. Her remains will be taken to Pompton Plains for intertuent on Taesday morning. Rejatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

Wiscolast.—On Satarday, December 26, our little Jessie, daughter of J. C. and Mary Westake, aged 4 years, 8 months and 10 days.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to staken the funeral, from the readence of ber parents, No. 37 East Seventy-Inivi street on Monday afternoon, at one 3-clock presently. Her remains Vill Se tackrest in Greenwood Completer.